

Two Outbreaks of Fire

EMPLOYEES INJURED AT CRACKER WORKS

At 11.14 a.m. on Wednesday last a fire broke out in a shed containing gunpowder, connected with the Phoenix Fireworks Co. at Sunshine. It is understood that it was caused by concussion in a charging disc.

The Newport and Footscray brigades turned out, and assisted by employees with water buckets extinguished the fire, but not before the shed was severely damaged by fire and the explosion.

Three employees were injured: J. Farrar (cut on knee and foot), Amy Bunting (slightly burned on left hand and eyebrows, and shock), and Annie Burt (shock). They were attended by Dr. Dorman.

Practically simultaneously with the previous fire an outbreak occurred in the rear portion of a house at 43 Graham Street, Sunshine, owned and occupied by Mrs B. Thom. The cause is unknown, and the Sunshine brigade, under Senior Fireman H. Frowd, was called out at 10.30 a.m. The back of the building was severely damaged by fire, and the remainder of the contents by water. The house was insured, but not the contents.

At the Sunshine court this morning Michael Galea, of Ballarat Road, was fined 10/- for riding a bicycle without a light on April 10. Constable Power was the informant.